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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

SUBJECT : DDI Support of DIA

1. On 14 April I met with General Maples for further discussion of General Carroll's letter to DCI (S-1102/AP-IMI of 15 Mar) in which DIA sought assistance in the production of handbooks on counterinsurgency.

2. Our discussion covered a wide range of topics but resulted in a need for action on three essentially unrelated matters:

a. Closer coordination between CIA and DIA on controls over the release of intelligence reports [REDACTED]

b. How CIA can and should support DIA in its desire to systematically cover and report on traffic movements to and from North Vietnam.

c. Role of CIA in support of DIA's production of handbooks on counterinsurgency.

3. Release of intelligence [REDACTED]  
Problem here is to sort out the equities in a situation where [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DIA has been in touch with [REDACTED] is concerned that DDI also know the full story so that CIA may cooperate with DIA in lieu of [REDACTED]

DDI Action: [REDACTED] is reviewing matter with DDP.

4. Communist traffic to Vietnam

This problem is the counterpart of the earlier community problem of the missile buildup in Cuba. Apparently the Joint Chiefs, Secretary of Defense as well as Congressional groups briefed by DIA, all query DIA about what it knows of any buildup in North Vietnam. These groups expect DIA to have and be able to pass on an accurate picture. I spoke of our work

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in this field, in particular mentioning ORR's past and current efforts. DDI Action: Otto Guthe has already met with [REDACTED] of DIA.

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5. Handbooks on Counterinsurgency

DIA has a commitment to the JCS to produce some 50 of these handbooks, of which 30 or more have already been completed. DIA is not particularly happy with the quality and feels that CIA expertise with minimal effort could help a great deal. DIA finds it difficult to understand (and I find it difficult to explain) why we should not do this since we profess annoyance when DIA builds up capabilities duplicative of our own.

My own belief is that we must somehow work out arrangements to give DIA assistance on this project. DDI Action: I propose that we select three titles from their series and experiment by helping them in three different ways: (1) produce one ourselves; (2) let them produce one with guidance and assistance from our experts; and (3) let them produce one with backstopping by our reference librarians only. We can then evaluate the cost and the result, and decide what to do in the future. Concurrently, we should form an NIS Panel on Counterinsurgency Support with terms of reference for coordinating NIS and departmental handbook production programs. I will move in the above direction unless you say otherwise.

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